

## Fire and Rescue Department

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## **Mount Vernon Apartment Fire**

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department units responded to an apartment fire in the Mount Vernon area at approximately 1:10 p.m., Monday, December 27, 2004. The apartment complex, Spring Gardens Apartments, is located at 7977 Richmond Highway.

First arriving fire and rescue units reported a three-story garden apartment with heavy fire visible on the second floor of the structure. An additional alarm was dispatched bringing over 50 emergency personnel to the scene. Firefighters conducted an aggressive attack and brought the fire under control in approximately 45 minutes. An adult male victim was transported to the Washington Hospital Burn Center.

Damage to the building and contents is estimated at \$50,000.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

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